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closely to Senator Warner so that you will know how he will be attempting to do this, of course, not telling you what to do, but how he would like to have it accomplished. Thank you. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, as you know on the rule covering overrides, it spells out a procedure of four events that take place. First is a report by the Appropriations to the Legislature which must be submitted within one day. That was submitted to you yesterday afternoon showing the items vetoed together with recommendations for overrides together with the impact in terms of dollars and what would be left for A bills at certain tax rates. Then the second procedure is that the committee is to, if it chooses, recommend override of a bill in its entirety, that which was not done. Then the next alternative under the rule is for the committee to offer, if it chooses to, overrides on any, collectively any group of items within a bill which is a single motion much the same as we do with returning the bill from Final Reading for a specific amendment and not subject to amendment. Then if that...then the last alternative if that was not done, of course, is then individual members may offer override motions on any item within the budget that they choose and I assume that that is the practice we have followed in the past and I went back and reviewed the hearing when those rules were established and it would appear quite clear that that was the way it was intended to function. So with that, the first motion on 1128 in keeping with the second portion of the rule, the Appropriations Committee did meet and concur, 7 to 2 vote, to recommend certain items for override and what I would like to do is have each of the members of the Appropriations Committee who are supporting the motion will explain certain portions of the override and the reasons for it. The one general remark I should make initially if you looked at the handout yesterday, it would indicate that from a financial status that if these bills, this motion is approved, there would still remain 9.6, almost 9.7 million dollars available for other overrides and/or other A bills still pending and that would be retaining a 19 percent income tax and a 3 1/2 percent sales tax and a 5 percent reserve. So with that, Mr. President, I